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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: TIA REQUEST FOR TECHNICAL STOPS

1. DEPT RECEIVED REPORT FROM TRANS INTERNATIONAL (TIA) THAT ITS REQUEST FOR FUEL STOP FOR CARGO FLIGHTS (JUNE 11, 18 AND 25) HAS BEEN DISAPPROVED BY JCAB. REASON GIVEN WAS NOT LACK OF SLOTS BUT FUEL SHORTAGE. JCAB APPARENTLY RESTRICTING ALL AIRLINES. REPORT NOTED TOTAL SLOTS AT NARITA AND HANEDA INCREASED FROM 460 TO 480 PER DAY, AND THAT PRESENT RESTRICTIONS WILL CONTINUE UNTIL NARITA AND HANEDA'S ATC SYSTEMS ARE OPERATING SEPARATELY. TIA ADDS THAT IT IS OPERATING A YEAR LONG SERIES OF CARGO CHARTER FLIGHTS FROM HONG KONG TO STEWART AFBASE, NEW YORK WITH DC-8 AIRCRAFT AND THAT IT IS HIGHLY DESIRABLE TO MAKE FUEL STOP AT TOKYO.

2. EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO INVESTIGATE REASONS FOR
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JCAB'S REFUSAL AND TO SEEK JAPANESE APPROVAL OF TIA REQUEST. EMBASSY SHOULD SUGGEST USE OF HANEDA OR OTHER AIRPORT UNTIL FUEL PROBLEM RESOLVED AT NARITA. DEPT ASSUMES THAT, PER TIA CABLE, ALL AIRLINES ARE BEING REFUSED TECHNICAL STOPS BECAUSE OF FUEL SHORTAGE.

3. ALSO, PLEASE CONFIRM INCREASE OF SLOTS AT HANEDA

AND NARITA REPORTED IN TIA CABLE. VANCE

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